WHEREAS; nonprofits function as vital change-makers in our communities, serving as partners to local, state, and national government entities by providing a variety of services—from pro bono legal work to healthcare provision to environmental conservation—to folks in need across our state and throughout our country; and

WHEREAS; Wisconsin's nonprofit sector is strong and growing, with our counties housing anywhere between one and 1,300 registered nonprofits, totaling over 36,000 statewide, the majority of which are 501(c)(3) public charities; and

WHEREAS; according to a report compiled by the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, our nonprofit sector accounts for 11.9 percent of our state's employment and generates \$46.5 billion in revenue annually; and

WHEREAS; the state of Wisconsin recognizes that nonprofits strengthen the democratic process in our communities by creating spaces that foster the public good, facilitate civic engagement, and translate vision into action; and

WHEREAS; today, the state of Wisconsin commends our nonprofit sector for its invaluable contributions to our state and thanks the thousands of hardworking staff and volunteers who invest their time and expertise into our state's civic infrastructure;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim August 17, 2021, as

## NATIONAL NONPROFIT DAY

throughout the State of Wisconsin and I commend this observance to all our state's residents.

•	e at the Capitol in the City of Madison this 16th day of July 2021
TONY EVERS, Governor	
By the Governor:	

DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE, Secretary of State